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TAMPA MAN SENTENCED FOR POSSESSION OF STOLEN MAIL, UNAUTHORIZED USE OF AN ACCESS DEVICE, AND AGGRAVATED IDENTITY THEFT

Tampa, Florida - U. S. District Judge James D. Whittemore today sentenced Frank James Miller, a 26 year-old resident of Tampa, Florida, to a total of 42 months' imprisonment for two counts of possession of stolen mail, one count of unauthorized use of an access device, and one count of agravated identity theft. Miller pleaded guilty to all four counts of the indictment on June 29, 2007.

According to court documents, from July to October 2005, Miller stole more than 360 items of mail from residents in the Lutz and Carrollwood areas of Tampa. Miller used stolen credit card checks to pay for legal fees and a student loan. When he was arrested on October 19, 2005, he had eight credit cards in his wallet belonging to individuals whose mail he had stolen. In total, Miller attempted to use the stolen checks and credit cards to purchase more than \$30,000 in goods and services.

The case was investigated by United States Postal Inspection Service and the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office. The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys Cherie L. Krigsman and Robert Monk.